



# **AmeriCorps VISTA Rural Site & Volunteer Coordinator**

Make a difference by serving as an AmeriCorps VISTA member with Girls on the Run Utah, focusing on strategic recruitment of program participants, teams, and volunteers in rural areas.

**Application Deadline** – November 15, 2023

Dates of Service – January 16, 2024 through January 15, 2025

**How to Apply** – Please send cover letter and resume to <u>info@girlsontherunutah.org</u>.

Girls on the Run Utah is working to expand the number of program participants and volunteers in rural Utah counties. The Girls on the Run AmeriCorps VISTA will learn and develop an understanding of Girls on the Run program management in relation to recruiting new sites, coaches, and volunteers. They will create an in-depth strategic recruitment plan to broaden Girls on the Run Utah's reach in rural areas with the goal of serving 2,000 girls state-wide across fall and spring programming.

This position is an opportunity to work with a nonprofit that deeply cares about the empowerment and overall well-being of girls in the communities we serve. You will gain experience across all aspects of the organization in a meaningful way while having the opportunity to meet and network with our board of directors, local sponsors, and volunteers.

#### **About Girls on the Run:**

Girls on the Run is a physical activity based, positive youth development program that is designed to enhance 3rd-8th grade girls' social, psychological, and physical skills and behaviors to successfully navigate life experiences. The program's intentional curriculum places an emphasis on intentional empowerment skills in young girls through lessons that incorporate running and other physical activities. Girls on the Run Utah offers programming in the fall and spring. The program is led by volunteer coaches and teams meet twice a week for 8 weeks. Both the fall and spring seasons culminate with a 5K celebration at Sugar House Park.

### **About AmeriCorps VISTA:**

AmeriCorps VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America) is a federally funded national service organization designed to alleviate poverty in the United States and surrounding territories. AmeriCorps VISTA members help local organizations expand capacity to make change in an office setting while building professional skills and preparing for a life of service in the public, private, or nonprofit sector. Join thousands of members in the AmeriCorps VISTA program who are united in our mission to lift people and communities out of poverty.

## **Terms and Conditions of Member Service:**

- 18 years of age or older
- U.S. citizens, nationals, or legal residents
- Successfully complete a criminal background check
- Political advocacy, organizing, and/or demonstrating while on VISTA duty, or while perceived to be on duty, are prohibited
- This is a one-year, full-time commitment

### **Other Requested Conditions:**

- Permits part-time employment
- Permits attendance at school during off hours
- Must live in Salt Lake City, Utah or surrounding areas (car recommended for travel)
- Bachelor's degree preferred
- English required, Spanish would be helpful

#### **Benefits Offered:**

- **Living Allowance** You will receive a modest bi-weekly living allowance to cover basic expenses (around \$1,755 per month). This amount is based on the poverty rates for a single individual in the area you will be serving in.
- **Professional Development Training** You will have the opportunity to attend in-person and virtual training to learn how to be a community development change agent.
- End of Service Award After successfully completing your year of service, you can choose between a <u>Segal Education Award</u> (valued at approximately \$7,395) to pay for a range of education expenses or a \$1,800 cash stipend.
- Non-Competitive Eligibility After successfully completing your year of service, you will receive one year of non-competitive eligibility for employment in the federal government. This special hiring status enables you to apply for federal jobs with the advantage of not having to go through the standard public competitive selection process. This does not guarantee you a federal job, but it does provide a valuable opportunity.

### Other Benefits Offered by Organization:

- Gas/travel reimbursement
- Monthly grocery assistance

#### **Desired Skills:**

- Communications
- Community organization
- Conflict resolution
- Leadership
- Public speaking
- Recruitment
- Writing/editing
- Youth development
- Nonprofit management
- Teamwork